

## Town of Garrett Park Oral History Project

### Mission Statement

The Garrett Park Oral History Project is an effort to preserve the memories of Garrett Park which are held by its present and former residents. The project was begun in the 1990's before the Garrett Park Centennial celebration, when the Town was home to a number of residents whose association with Garrett Park went back to the Town's earliest decades. After a lengthy hiatus, the project is beginning again under the auspices of the Garrett Park Archives Advisory Committee. We hope to capture a sense of what it was like to live in Garrett Park during various times in its history—to enliven the facts and figures found in deed books and census records with anecdotes about people and events in the life of the Town.

Most information will be collected during a recorded session with a volunteer interviewer. As funding permits, the recordings will be transcribed by a typist. Both the oral recording and the transcriptions will be housed in the Garrett Park Archives and used for purposes of historical research. The person being interviewed will be asked to sign a release form so that the interview is available to researchers.

The attached list of questions was written to guide the interviewer. It is not expected that each person interviewed will know something about every item on the list of questions. Rather, the questionnaire is designed to illustrate the kinds of information we hope to gather from this project. Narrators should choose to concentrate on the topics about which they know the most.

We appreciate the efforts of all who are willing to participate in this project. It will benefit those who live in Garrett Park now and in the future.